

alkenyl, C₂₋₈ alkynyl, cyclopropane, cyclobutane, cyclopentane, cyclohexane, cycloheptane, cyclooctane, norbornane, camphane, adamantane, trifluoromethyl, C₁₋₈ alkoxy, C₁₋₈ alkoxy-C₁₋₈ alkyl, phenyl, biphenyl, naphthyl-C₁₋₈ alkyl, phenyl, biphenyl, naphthyl, phenoxy, biphenyloxy, naphthoxy, phenylamino, biphenylamino, naphthylamino, C₁₋₈ alkyl-carbonyl, phenylcarbonyl, biphenylcarbonyl, naphthylcarbonyl, phenylcarboxyl, biphenylcarboxyl, naphthylcarboxyl, phenylcarboxamide, biphenylcarboxamide, naphthylcarboxamide, halogen, CN, NRR', C₁₋₈ alkylamino;

n is an integer comprised between 1 and 4;

the symbol ----- means that the corresponding bonds a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h and i are single or double bonds, with the proviso that when b or f are a double bond, the group R₅ is absent; their pharmaceutically acceptable salts and esters.

REMARKS

The Examiner is thanked for the allowance of claims 1-3, 10, 27 and 28. It has been noted that claim 29 that was included in the Amendment of July 14, 2003 was not mentioned in the Office Action. This Amendment cancels the non-elected claims and it is believed that the application is in condition for allowance.

If necessary, petition is made for a one-month extension of time and authorization is given to charge the required fee to Deposit Account No. 08-1540.

An early and favorable action is earnestly solicited.

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